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Olympia, WA 98501-2200

Fall Policy Conference



CRITICAL ECONOMIC ISSUES for an AGING SOCIETY CONFERENCE

Friday
Oct. 27, 2006
9-3 pm
Doubletree Hotel
SeaTac
18740 International Blvd.
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Seattle, WA 98188
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Critical Economic Issues for an Aging Society...

The 18th annual conference of the Senior Citizens' Foundation, will bring together experts and consumers with insights into our current systems and strong visions for the future.

The morning session will cover the challenges facing our current health and long term care systems. Our panel will explore obstacles and opportunities that lay ahead in reforming systems that have growing influences on our personal, national and global economies.

In the afternoon, we will focus on the work of our State's Long Term Care Task Force and the Blue Ribbon Commission on Health Care, both established through a partnership between our Governor and the Legislature. A panel will critique the work to date and offer perspectives on the work ahead, both designing and building support for system reform.

- **Senator Karen Keiser** will open the Conference.
- **Joshua Wiener** will provide an overview of the economic issues impacting health and long term care.
- **Robin Arnold-Williams**, Secretary, DSHS, will give the keynote address during lunch -
"Where Are We Heading with Health Care and Medicare?"
- **Denny Heck**, retired Legislator and respected moderator, will lead both panels.

The Senior Citizens' Foundation's 18th Annual Conference offers an in-depth look at our health and long term care systems and the critical economic issues facing them.

For more info, or if you need help for a disability, please contact the Senior Citizens' Foundation.
(360) 754-0207

Or, email: seniorlobby@qwest.net before Oct. 23rd

SENIOR LOBBY

In addition to sponsoring this and other educational forums the Washington State Senior Citizens' Foundation supports the activities of its sister organization the Washington State Senior Citizens' Lobby.

The Senior Lobby actively lobbies the legislature on issues, such as health care.

Our successes include:

- Adoption of the Senior Citizens Service Act
- Improvements in the long-term care system such as respite care, assisted living, personal care, COPES, etc
- Passage of bills providing drug purchasing relief, property tax exemptions, mobile home relocation assistance
- Increased funding for legal services for those with low income
- Insurance reform

In addition, we have worked to defeat legislation that is not in the best interest of seniors and the disabled.

We depend on the talents of many skilled volunteers to accomplish these feats.
But, it still takes money to keep us in business.

Our only source of funds is contributions from organizations or individuals.

We would very much appreciate your contribution in the amount of \$10, \$25, \$100 or whatever you can afford.

Please send to Senior Citizens' Lobby, 1501 S. Capital Way, #102, Olympia, WA 98502.

Unfortunately, the Senior Lobby is not a charitable organization in the eyes of the IRS, so your contributions are not tax deductible.

PRESENTERS

Panel Obstacles & Opportunities

Victoria Doerper, Executive Director of the Northwest Regional Council

Charley Reed, AARP National Advisory Board; Retired Secretary DSHS/ADSA

Margaret Stanley, Executive Director, Puget Sound Health Alliance

Panel Perspectives on Deliberations

Aaron Katz, University of WA, Department of Health Services

Tanya Karwacki, PhD., Washington Policy

David Rolf, President, SEIU Local 775

Liz Taylor, Syndicated Columnist, "Growing Older", Seattle Times.

Keynote Address Where Are We Heading With Health Care & Medicare?

Robin Arnold-Williams, Secretary, Washington State Department of Social & Health Services



PROGRAM

9:00 Introductions
Bruce Reeves, President, Senior Citizen's Lobby
Dennis Mahar, Master of Ceremonies

9:15 Welcome
Karen Keiser, Senator 33rd District

9:45 Overview
Debt: Health & Long Term Care Impacts

Joshua M. Wiener, Ph.D.
Senior Fellow & Program Director,
Aging, Disability & LTC; RTI Internat.

10:30 Break/Visit Exhibits

10:45 Panel Discussion
Obstacles & Opportunities

Denny Heck, Moderator

11:55 Break/Visit Exhibits

12:15 Lunch

12:30 Keynote Address
**Where Are We Heading
With Health Care & Medicare?**
Robin Arnold-Williams,
Secretary, Washington State
Department of Social & Health Services

1:20 Overview
**Washington State's Future:
The Blue Ribbon Commission
on Health Care & the Long
Term Care Task Force**
Mark Rupp, Governor's Policy Staff

2:00 Panel Discussion
**Perspectives on the Work
of the Blue Ribbon Commission
& Long Term Care Task Force**
Denny Heck, Moderator

3:00 End of Conference

REGISTRATION

(Fee includes lunch & parking)

**Senior Citizens, Volunteers,
Disabled, Low-Income...\$35.00**

Professional Personnel....\$80.00
(Service professionals, agency/
organization representatives, & others)

Name

Address

City State Zip

Phone

Organization (if any)

Please register ____ attendee(s)

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by OCTOBER 20 to:
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__Check here for vegetarian lunch

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